April 13, 1944 Honorable A. J. Cozzolino Deputy Mayor City Hall Newark, New Jersey Dear Honorable Sir: We are writing to ask you to honor us with your presence at the opening game of the Negro National League baseball season at Ruppert Stadium, Sunday afternoon, May 7th, at 2 p.m. This is the ninth year the Newark Ragles have represented this city in the League and our opponents in this opening game will be the Cuban Stars. We will be very happy to have you with us on this occasion and I am sure the boys will play a brand of baseball that you will enjoy. Would you care to bring someone with you? Upon receipt of your answer, I will forward tickets . Very truly yours, Effa Manley EM/nwf